The Flying Eagles

Silent night-Holy night

"Silent Night! Holy Night!
All is calm, all is bright.
Round yon Virgin Mother and Child.
Holy Infant, so tender and mild.
Sleeps in heavenly peace.
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THE FLYING EAGLES.

Isaiah 40 They shall mount up with wings as eagles.

Army + Navy Aeroplane Maneuvers

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INTRO. The ~~Flying Eagles of the~~ Navy. and Army Planes
Their aiming at a 16 ft. circle
Their parachute test
Their formations
The Flying Eagles
12 planes, wings but 5 ft. apart, tied with together with ribbons.
7 loops, with 300 mile speed
Upside down and sidewise flying

Well named eagles. Eagles are the kings of the air as lions are the kings of the forests. Strength and daring and accuracy of vision. Since ancient times the eagle adopted as a national symbol.
Ancient Roman and Persian symbol.
France, Prussia and Austria.
U.S. adopted Bald-headed Eagle as emblem, 1785.

More wonderful than the Flying Eagles of the Navy, or the flying of eagles themselves are the flying ones of our text this morning-Read.

I. Who are they? They that wait upon the Lord.
The exiled Israelites-discouraged and weakened.
The Prophets Promise.
The two accounts of the subsequent history of the Israelites
Restoration but temporary, soon subject to higher powers and finally scattered.
Remnant hoped against hope that God would restore Israel, looking for their Christ
The coming of Jesus Christ, the world Savior. "I, if I be lifted up, shall draw all men unto me."
The two accounts of Jesus Christ.
The secular
The inside story

II. The ~~Man~~ God-Man, Jesus Christ, changes the Earth-Man into a God-man.
1. The ordinary has within him extraordinary powers.
The English Doctor's account of a war patient.
Buried alive, after rescue helplessly fatigued
Hypnotized and made to live over again his experiences. His strength

Professor McDougal of Harvard's illustration.
The boy chased by a bull leaped over a fence.
Later, tho bigger and stringer, he could not do it.
Fear had released within the boy hidden strengtl

2. God releases in the man who trusts him divine ppwers, with which to weather the crises of life and surmount all obstacles in the way.

The English Physian's account of another patient.
A nervous breakdown, complete exhaustion, in hospital for treatment.
Word came to him that his wife was down with pneumonia and that no help could be secured for her care and the care o their six little children.
That patient arose from his bed, went home and nursed his wife back to health, takin g care of the children also. When he re- torned to his dodtor, he was surprisingly bright and cheerful and he said,"I shal l never again doubt the power of pwayer."
They that wait upon the Lord shall mount up with wings as the eagles.
Paul said,I can do all things thru Christ who strengthen eth me.

III. Flying Christians.

1. All Xns have wings, but not all Xns fly . By wings we mean that life has gained nww powers, extraordinary capacities.
The release of such powers thru faith and obedienc

2. Flying Xns are Bouyant. They rise above things! They overcome the "spirit of heaviness": they rise above despondencies and passions and earthly limi- tations of all kinds.

3. Flying Xns attain great heights. They shall mount u up.
They become lofty characters. They not only seek the things that are above but they get to see the things that are above. "with Christ in the heavenly places".

4.Flying Xns command a comprehensive perspective of Life.

They see all things in their relationships to one another and they see that All things work together for good to them that love God.

Conclusion.

God stands ever ready to release unto us His flying powers. Not thru beliefs and sacrifices, not thru joining the church or getting priest of minister to pray for you, but thru your own right attitude toward God, thru simply trusting and obeying Him.

More wonde ful than the Flying Eagles of our Navy are they whom God lifts up out of their weaknesses into His strength, out of their earthly limitations into God's eternal Life and Goodness and Love.